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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the office action dated 11/5/2002, Applicant herewith elects the invention I, claims 61-108, drawn to the bonding machine, for further prosecution without traverse.

This election requires a further election of species as specified on page 3 of the office action. Applicant elects species A2 (heating elements are electrodes) for further prosecution. The claims 61-64 and 70-108 read on this species, and claims 61-64 are

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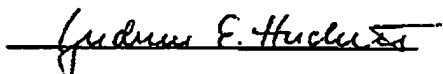
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generic.

Should the Examiner have any further objections or suggestions, the undersigned would appreciate a phone call or e-mail from the examiner to discuss appropriate amendments to place the application into condition for allowance.

Authorization is herewith given to charge any fees or any shortages in any fees required during prosecution of this application and not paid by other means to Patent and Trademark Office deposit account 50-1199.

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